



# CITY OF LODI

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

**AGENDA TITLE:** Update on the activities of the Parks and Recreation Commission

**MEETING DATE:** June 5, 2002

**PREPARED BY:** Parks and Recreation Director

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** None required.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Bob Johnson, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Commission, will be at the meeting to update the City Council on the many activities of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

**FUNDING:** None required.

Roger Baltz  
Parks and Recreation Director

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APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

*filed 6-5-02*  
*B. Johnson*

**PARTIAL LISTING OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
ACCOMPLISHMENTS (2001-02)**

- Design work currently under way for:
  - DeBenedetti Park
  - Indoor Sports Center
  - Aquatics Complex
- Renovations are currently under way to the National Guard Armory which will result in an indoor gymnasium available for use year round under a lease agreement.
- Obtained \$525,000 Prop 12 Grant.
- Obtained \$168,000 Prop 12 Grant.
- Accepted \$50,000 donation for Blakely Field Improvements.
- Obtained \$48,000 grant to offer after school program at Washington Elementary School. Also continue to maintain fee based and grant funded ASP programs for over 350 children at Vinewood, Reese, Nichols, Lawrence, Beckman, Heritage, Lockeford elementary schools
- Over 186,000 people participated in programs, attended special events, and utilized facilities in 2001.
- Skatepark construction currently under way.
- Added a sixth swim league team to the aquatics program and participation has increased from roughly 700 to roughly 740.
- Improvements to Hale Park and Armory Bleachers under way.
- Katzakian Park construction is now complete and includes a vineyard project component (\$580,700).
- Lodi Lake Phase I Bicycle/Pedestrian Corridor Project completed (\$821,022.48).
- Improvements to Kofu Park baseball field completed with help of donation by BOBS.
- In partnership with DPW and Lodi Docents completed renovations to the Lodi Lake Discovery Center.
- Have cleared Roget Park site of dead trees and brush for future development.
- Replaced playground equipment at Salas Park.
- Replaced and improved playground and park equipment at Century Park.
- Partnership with Lodi Sports Foundation resulted in new seating and infield sod installation at Zupo Field.
- Installed additional irrigation system along central area of Lodi Lake.
- In partnership with BOBS, extended backstops at Kofu Park.
- In partnership with BOBS, installed new scoreboards at Salas Park
- Design and funding work currently under way for Lodi Lake Phase II Bicycle/Pedestrian Project.
- Review of facilities fees and charges rates is currently under way.